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SYNOPSIS. -11-

Brouillard, chief engineer of the Niquola irrigation dam, meets J. Wesley Cortwright and explains the reclamation work to him. Cortwright organises a company and obtains government contracts to furnish power and material. Steve Massingale threatens to start a gold rush if froutillard does not use his influence to bring a railroad branch to the place, thus opening an easy market for the "Little Susan" mine ore. Brouillard tells Amy Massingale of his need for money to pay off his dead father's debts. She tells him to be true to himself. He decides for the extension. Mirapolis, the city of numbered days, booms. Cortwright persuades Brouillard to become consulting engineer of the power company in return for \$100,000 stock. Stoppage of work on the railroad threatens a panie. Brouillard apreads the Massingale story of placer gold in the river bed and starts a gold rush, which promises to stop the reclamation project. Amy tells Brouillard that her father is in Cortwright's financial rittches. He tells her he has made \$100,000 and declares his love. She loves him but shows him that he has become demortalized. A resi gold find is made. Brouillard sells his stock but does not pay his father's debts. Cortwright's son shoots Dave Massingale. Brouillard threatens Cortwright with exposure if his pushes Massingale to the wall. The magnate remoines to give the old man a free field. Stories of the dam's abandonment revive. Foreclosure on the "Little Susan" is impending and Brouillard loans Dave Massingale his 100,000 to clear him.

love and war?"

CHAPTER XVI-Continued.

"There's one thing-and I've got to "There's one thing—and I've got to spit it out before it's everlastingly too late. See here, Victor Br'uillard-Amy likes you-thinks a heap of you; a plemb blind man could see that. But say, that little girl o' mine has just natchurly got to have a free hand when It comes to pairin' up, and she won't never have if she finds out about this. You ain't allowin' to use it on her.

Brouillard laughed.

der, and I have indorsed it. Let me looked down upon the valley electrics you. In that wiy only the two of us pace on the down-hill lap to the finish, action; and if I promise to keep the Niquoia building, and went to the secret from Miss Amy, you must prom- Metropole to eat his dinner with Murise to keep it from Mr. J. Wesley Cort- ray Grislow as his vis-a-vis. The buz-

you, Victor Br'utilard, you're a man— charge of the suppressed activities im- at nineteen dollars' apiece—nobody laid table, its impassive dealer, its ever single mili-run of you!" he burst patiently waiting for another day of would buy of him."

to get the money.

Left alone in the small retiring room been transacted. David Massingale



pocket with trembling hands, fondling fiame of a passion long denied. But in the end he thrust the tempting aheaf back into the inner pocket and went resolutely to the cashier's counter window, finding Schermerhorn, the president, sitting at the cashier's desk.

"I've come to take up them notes o' mine with John Wes,' name on 'em," Massingale began, pulling out the thick sheaf of redemption money.

the cash, did you? The 'Little Susan'

"You've borrowed to meet these notes?" queried the president, look-Massingale; that won't do at all. We wine for all the company. can't afford to lose an old customer that way. What's the matter with our ly a pretty young dancer got between money? Doesn't it look good to you her teeth an object as to the identity any more?"

but he was not permitted to finish.

Cortwright's approval myself. No; not woman exactly. He waited till the a word, Mr. Masringale. As long as cake was all eaten and no bean had you're borrowing, you must be loyal been forthcoming, and all the comand borrow of us. Good afternoon, gany were looking at each other with dom realized." "Too true." "Life with

dazed and confused beyond the power do hope nobody has swallowed the on fire, and now I make my living sellof speech. When the mists of astound- thing. A dry, uncooked bean is one ing insurance."

ment cleared he found himself in the ! notes still in his pocket. Suddenly, "You came to meet me." out of the limbo into which two years of laborious discipline and self-denial you think that?" had pushed it stalked the demon of the ruling passion, mighty, overpower- illard, speaking as soberly as if he ing. unconquerable. The familiar were stating a mathematical certainty street sights danced before Mas- "You left that room upstairs and came

the insistent voice of the tempter, and | name." the voice was at once a command and an entreaty, a gnawing hunger and a parching thirst.

"By gash! I'd like to try that old tired." system o' mine jest one more time!" he muttered. "All it takes is money clared. "You are in trouble of some I've got the money. Besides, didn't me." Br'uillard say I was to get an extension If I could?"

He grabbed at his coat to be sure that the packet was still there, took and share it with me. What is it?" two steps toward the bank, stopped, but irresistible captor, and moved the 'Little Susan.' That is one of the away, like a man walking in his sleep. worries and the other I've been trying toward the lower avenue.

Old Man Massingale is loath to put himself under financial obligations that will involve Amy's marriage. Do you think that Brouillard will trick the father and salve his conscience with the saying, "All's fair in love and war?"

It was the doorway of Haley's place, the Monte Carlo of the Niquoia, that finally halted him. Here the struggle was so fierce that the bartender, who knew him, named it sickness and led the stricken one to a card table in the public bar-room and fetched him a drink. A single swallow of whisky It was the doorway of Haley's place, turned the scale. Massingale rose. quickly to the rear, where a pair of baize doors opened silently and en-

The Abyss

it was at early candle-lighting in the evening of the day of renewed and unbridled speculation in Mirapolis "front feet" that Brouillard, riding the plebald range pony on which he had been making an inspection round of "I'll make a hedging bet and break the nearer Buckskin ditchers' camps. even with you, Mr. Massingale," he topped the hill in the new, high-pitched "That check is drawn to my or- road over the Chigringo shoulder and

But Brouillard shook his head excitement and opportunity. Corner yellow dog you mentioned a while lounge, the billiard room and the buf- in his hands."

of the bank where the business had ing on the opposite side of the street. | a note of deeper trouble. He was alone in his office on the ly, to submerge himself in a sea of see him pay it into the bank?" desk work when as distinctly as if she were present and at his elbow, he as I say, when I left him he was on his heard, or seemed to hear, Amy Mas- way to Hardwick's window." singale say: "Victor, you said you

> The Massingale town house was one cowboy riding hat. gate, and walked briskly up the path | we'll save time." o the house, which was dark save for From the moment of outsetting the

-waiting for him, as he fully believed ward the region of degradation.

for two or three days!"

How is Steve this evening?"

"He is quite comfortable, more combreath of fresh air in the open."

"No, you didn't come down for that | Massingale's daughter made as if she street with the thick wad of bank reason," Brouillard amended gravely. would go in, Brouillard protested "Did I?" she asked. "What makes

"I know what happened," said Brousingale's eyes, and there was a drum- to me. I didn't see you, but I heard ming in his ears like the fall of many you as plainly as I can hear you now. waters. But above the clamor rose You spoke to me and called me by

> She shook her head, laughing lightly. "You have been overwrought about something, or maybe you are just plain

"You are standing me off," he de

enough to foller it up and stay. And sort, and you are trying to hide it from "No, not exactly trouble; only a lit

tle worry."

"All right, call it worry if you like "I think you know without being turned as if in the grasp of an invisible told. I am afraid we have finally lost to call silly. I don't know what has become of father-as if he weren't old

enough to go and come without telling me every move he makes!" "Your father isn't at home?" gaspec

"No; he hasn't been here since nin public bar-room and fetched him a o'clock this morning. Murray Grislow A single swallow of whisky saw him going into the Metropole about one o'clock, but nobody that I tossed a coin to the bar, and passed have been able to reach by phone seems to have seen him after that."

"I can bring the record down to two o'clock," was the quick reply. "He ate with me at Bongras', and afterward I walked with him as far as the bank. And I can cure part of the first worry -all of it, in fact; he had the money to take up the Cortwright notes, and when I left him he was on his way to Hardwick's window to do it." "He had the money? Where did he

Brouillard put his back against a porch post, a change of position which kept the light of the street electric from shining squarely upon his face. "It has been another of the get-richquick days in Mirapolis," he said

evasively. "Somebody told me that the have it again and I'll get the cash for Brouillard let the pony set its own corner opposite Poodles' was bought and sold three times within a single need know anything about the trans- freshened himself at his rooms in the hour and that each time the price was

father made a hundred thousand dolwright. Will you saw it off with me zing throngs in the Metropole cafe and larg just in those few hours by buying ing the trading gift. He has often said with more gratitude, colored this time At the club there was the same atmost that he couldn't stand on a street corwith a hearty imprecation. "Dad burn phere of unrest; an exacerbating over- ner and sell twenty-dollar gold pieces goal was reached. "Nevertheless, I am telling you that

"No, Mr. Massingale, I'm the little had commanded filled the air in the notes," Brouillard insisted. "I saw it back," he asserted, and then he went fet, and after a few minutes Brouillard | She stood fairly in the beam of the the cards. Somebody said, "Let him

turned his back on the hubbub and street light. The violet eyes were get out," and then an old man, beardsought the quiet of the darkened build- misty, and in the low voice there was ed, white-haired, wild-eyed, and hag-"You say you saw the money in fa-

sixth floor and was trying, half absent- ther's hands; tell me, Victor, did you "Why, no; not the final detail. But.

Again she turned away, but this time would come if I needed you. I need it was to dart into the house. A minyou now." Without a moment's hesita- ute later she had rejoined him, and the tion he got up and made ready to go minute had sufficed for the donning of a coat and the pinning on of the quaint

of a row of stuccoed villas fronting on | "I must go and find him," she said the main residence street, which be with quiet resolution. "Will you go yond the city limits became the high- with me, Victor? Perhaps that is why road to the Quadjenal bend and the I—the subconscious I—called you a litupper valley. Brouillard took a cab at the while ago. Let's not wait for the the Metropole, dismissed it at the villa Quadjenai car. I'd rather walk, and

ne lighted room on the second floor- young woman's purpose seemed clearthe room in which Stephen Massingale ly defined. By the shortest way she was recovering from the effects of Van indicated the course to the avenue, and at the Metropole corner she turned Amy Massingale was on the porch unhesitatingly to the northward-to-

intil her greeting sufficiently proved | As was to be expected after the day of frantic speculation and quick money "You, Victor?" she said, coming changing, the lower avenue was ablaze ulckly to meet him. "Murray Gris- with light, the sidewalks were passes ow said you had gone down to the of peril, and the saloons and dives Buckskin camps and wouldn't be back were reaping a rich harvest. Luckily, trary, perhaps, even to those of Mr. J. "I changed my mind and came back position as chief of the great army of in Mirapolis values, following the visit It as a miser might. Twice the old fortable than he has been at all since his companion. But more than once he a series of them. Day after day the man made as if he would turn toward the wound began to heal. I have been was on the point of begging the young "curb" markets were reopened, with the door of egress, and the light in his reading him to sleep, and when the woman to turn back for her own sake gray-blue eyes was the rekindling night nurse came I ran down to get a . The quest ended unerringly at the

DREADED LARGE WINE BILL

Pretty Dancer Attempts to Evade of the most violent and deadly pois-Consequences as Result of "Swal-

the little theater in Montmartre had and almost toppled from her chair. has begun to pan out, has it? I didn't invited players, authors and some priv. while the rest of the company shook was an indubitable fact that Brouilmade the admission and regretted it in of the Fete des Rois and that is the thing, but the author of the trick this occasion, however, that whoever -and to square himself completely asing up quickly. "That won't do, Mr. came king or queen, must pay for the besides.

The cake was distributed. Suddenaced to enable you to get returns from youthful acribbing person, who had posters, however, were only in black four shipments? Sixty days? All enjoyed some small success as a and white, and it was another thirty right, you needn't make out new notes; sketch writer, to use the language years before the colored poster came I'll indorse the extension on the back rather of Broadway than of Mont- into vogue with the work of Jules of these, and I'll undertake to get martre. He did not tell on the young Cheret.-London Chronicle.

Come again when we can help you unconcealed surprise not unmingled me is just the reverse of what I with suspicion. "Good heavens," he cried then, "I thought I was going to set the world

ons!" "Mercy," burst out the dancer, "I'm the city. done for!"

and share a cake and "draw the bean," duct was near putting a finishing one-half, and later to barely enough way to celebrate it. It was agreed on hastened to comfort and reassure her drew the bean, and by that favor be- sumed the obligation of the wine bill

> History of the Poster. The poster, now on view at the Whitechapel art gallery, carries us

Not What He Expected. "Our childhood ambitions are selthought it would be." "How so?"

her voice breaking tremulously: "Be my good friend just a little longer, Vic-He took her arm and walked her

"No, Amy," he said firmly. "You

mustn't go in there. Let me take you

around to the Metropole, and then I'll

"I have been in worse places," she

quickly.

to silence.

come back alone."

bracing himself militantly for what might happen. But nothing happened. Dissipation of the western variety seldom sinks below the level of a certain rude gallantry, quick to recognize the good and pure in womankind. Instantly a hush fell upon the place. The quartets at the card tables held their hands, and a group of men drinking at the bar put down their glasses. One, a Tri'-Circ' cowboy with his back turned, let slip an oath, and in a single swift motion his nearest comrade garroted him with a hairy arm, strangling him

As if guided by the same unerring instinct which had made her choose Haley's out of the dozen similar hells.



"And you are trying to tell me that "It's All Gone, Little Girl; It's All

that way?—until you've made the turn lobby annoyed him, and even Grislow's and selling Mirapolis lots? You don't Amy Massingale led Brouillard swiftly quiet surcasm as applied to the day's know him, Victor. He is totally lack to the green baize doors at the rear

> armed "lookout," and its ring of silent lots and the astounding prices they he had the money to take up those players, lay beyond the baize doors. At the nearest of the tables there was a stir, and the dealer stopped running gard almost beyond recognition, pushed his chair away from the table and stumbled to his feet, his hands clutching the air like those of a swim-

mer sinking for the last time. With a low cry the girl darted across the intervening space to clasp the staggering old man in her arms and draw him away. Brouillard stood aside as they came slowly toward the doors which he was holding open for them. He saw the distorted face-mask of a bling repetition of the despairing words, "It's all gone, little girl; it's all gone!" and then he removed himself

ing, unseeing eyes. For in the lightning flash of revealgood he would have done had turned to hideous evil in the doing, and that this time the sword thrust of the blind passion impulse had gone straight to the heart of love itself.

quickly beyond the range of the star-

CHAPTER XVIII The Setting of the Ebb

Contrary to the most sanguine expectations of the speculators-con-Brouillard was well known, and his Wesley Cortwright-the upward surge government workmen purchased some- of the "distinguished citizens," proved thing like immunity for himself and to be more than a tidal wave; it was prices mounting skyward; and when the news of how fortunes could be door of Haley's place, and when David made in a day in the Miracle city of the Niquoia got abroad in the press disnatches there was a fresh influx of mad money hunters from the East.

Now, if never before, the croaker was wrathfully shouted down and silenced. No one admitted, or seemed to admit, the possible impermanence of

To the observer, anxious or casual. And she turned as pale as a ghost there appeared to be reasonable grounds for the optimistic assertion. It know you had commenced shipping ore ileged friends of the house to come with laughter. This unfeeling con- lard's force had been cut down, first to "We haven't." David Massingale as the French say, for it was the day touch to the simple-minded young men to keep the crushers and mixers moving and to add fresh layers of concrete to the huge wall of sufficient quantities to prevent the material-in technical phrase-from "dying." The Navajos had been sent home to their reservation, the tepees were gone, and two-thirds of the camp shacks were

empty. Past these material facts it was of which she could entertain no doubt back to bygone London by its name known to everybody in the frenzied Massingale stammered out some at all; at the same moment she had alone. For it gained that name by market place that Brouillard himself thing about Cashler Hardwick's per- a vision of the lot of money her brief being originally stuck to the posts was, according to his means, one of emptory demand of a few hours earlier, hours of royalty were going to cost which protected foot passengers in the most reckless of the plungers, buyher-and heroically she swallowed the the streets in the days before raised ing, borrowing, and buying again as if "Of course, that is all right from bean. Unfortunately ... is little byplay sidewalks appeared. The modern ar the future held no threat of a possible Hardwick's point of view. He was did not quite escape notice. It was tistic poster began in France about debacie. It was an object lesson for therely toking out for the maturing observed, or rather divined, by the 1836, Lalance being the artist to turn the timid. Those who did not thempaper. How much more time will you young woman's right-hand neighbor, a his skill to advertisement work. His selves know certainly argued that there must be a few who did know, and among these few the chief of the reclamation service must be in the very foremost rank.

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA Brouillard ought to know what's what. Does his action Indicate that he is aware the dam never will be finished, or that the wonder city will never be abandoned and destroyed?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

EXTERMINATE THE CANADA THISTLE

An Effective Method of Freeing Infested Land of Presistent and Troublesome Weed---Bulletin as Issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

In the states north of the Ohio river, thistles down by disking until frost. probably no plant bears such a bad Hemp and alfalfa are excellent smothreputation as does the so-called er crops in sections where they are retold the almost incredible exploits Canada thistle. This marvelously grown. Alfalfa may be either spring of the Speedy, the first command of prickly plant abounds in grain fields, or fall sown, according to custom, but young Lieutenant Cochrane, afterpastures, and meadows throughout the the surface of the ground must be wards Admiral Lord Dundonald, in-Central west, and is locally common in clean and well prepared before plantthe northwestern states. It is found ing. in parts of West Virginia, Kentucky, (4) Cultivated crops.-Most gener- fil-equipped; an over-manned and unand Missouri, and of late years has ally useful method; corn in check derarmed craft of 158 tons, carrying been increasingly troublesome in the rows best crop. Have ground clean ninety men and fourteen four-poundgrain-growing sections of the north- before planting. Equip cultivator with ers. Nevertheless, she soon became

returned in low tones. And then, with laws of 25 states and at least 100 local vate frequently. Hoe the corn after patched to hunt her down. But young communities, no other three plants to- laying by, and cultivate the ground gether having received so much unfav- after harvest with a disk harrow until posely shipped a Danish quartermasorable attention. Certainly no plant frost. Repeat second year. is more generally and heartily dis- (5) Hoeing and cutting.—Best for dable foe, he dressed the Dane in his into the garishly-lighted bar-room.

liked, unless it be the sand bur of the southern coastal plain. The unpopularity of Canada thistle or cythe at least twice a week. unsuspected. When left to itself, how- convenient places. ever, the thistle spreads rapidly, until in a few years it will more or less completely occupy the land, rendering sharply depreciating its market value.

flourish is apt to be of good natural

thistle-infested fields. of Canada thistle and the point that purpose distinguishes it from other prickly plants that are commonly mistaken root. This root penetrates the soil to a depth of 8 to 15 inches or more, and Division of Publications, Department gives rise at frequent intervals to of Agaiculture. leafy shoots. Thus it will often be found that an entire patch of thistles is attached to one root, and is in reality but one plant. The root is exceedingly hardy, and can live over winter or through a prolonged drought in a dormant condition. Pieces of the root FUMIGATE DWELLINGS WITH HY. that are broken off by a plow or cultivator and carried to other places will await a warm, moist period, and then begin to send up leafy shoots, thus establishing a new patch forthwith. If the leafy stems are cut down, oth-

whole neighborhood. is that it is the roots, rather than the Howard and C. H. Popenoe, describes tree. But if the tops are cut off deep- avoid accident. tually suffocate through lack of leaves.

Plow deep in the fall, exposing the under flooring. roots to the frost. Harrow in the ment he realized that once again the first blossoms appear (about June 1) so closed and marked with signs that or until there is danger of other weeds everyone is kept out. The windows in going to seed. Plow shallow, and such a house must be equipped with from then until frost use disk harhow ropes so that they can be opened from

dividual thistles. thistles from seeding. Allow thistles beaches it is safest and easiest to swer she got last week was:

(b) For cultivated ground: Allow thistles to grow until first blossoms appear. Plow shallow. When thistles are about 3 inches high, disk thoroughly and plant late smother crops, as

(3) Smother crops. - Combination of above; a good method on rich fle him off at a church festival!"- years ago. Doctor Haskins discovered ground. Cut grass or grain early for Kansas City Star. hay as in 2a above. Plow shallow four to six days later. Leave for four to six days more and disk thoroughly Then sow smother crop of buckwheat (four-fifths peck), rape (broadcast sixth-eighths pound) millet (three- would feel mighty small if it became fourths peck), or fodder corn in check known where they spend their nights. rows. After the crop is off, keep -Exchange.

Properly Indignant. Son (enthusiastically) - "Yes, father, I have fully made up my mind they lose their temper with you if you to adopt music as a career. I feel it don't cheer up to suit 'em. is the only one in which my soul can find its full expansion." Father (indignantly) - "Very well, sir; if you will persist in your evil courses, instead of following your father in an honest humanity would still be in the stone hardware business, let me tell you age. that, when you have reached the height of your ambition, you needn't come playing before my door expecting to get any coppers."-London

width of the frill.

west. Canada thistle, or simply 9-inch sweeps instead of ordinary so troublesome to the enemy that a "thistle," has been condemned in the shoes. Keep sweeps sharp and culti- Spanish frigate was especially dis-

and visit regularly with a sharp hoe with the aid of paint and canvas, as a is due largely to its unsightly appear- (6) Chemicals.—There is no chem- tine flag. A few questions were asked, ance and exceedingly spiny leaves ical that in reasonable quantities will to which an unmistakably genuine and to its persistent resistance to ex- kill Canada thistles with one applica- Dane, apparently the captain, replied: termination. Under ordinary cropping tion, unless applied directly to the and the hoodwinked enemy continued systems and with reasonable care, the cut root. For spraying use sodium peacefully on her course. thistle is at worst a disagreeable nuis- arsenite (a violent poison). 2 pounds ance. Generally speaking, it does not in 10 gallons of water; common salt, met again, and an encounter could not injure the quality of farm products I pound in 11/2 quarts of water; or be avoided. The action that followed excepting hay, as much as do quack crude carbolic acid, diluted one-half, was unique in naval history. The grass, wild onion, wild mustard, and if animals are salted on a small patch others; nor is it as destructive to the of thistles, it will finally disappear, stead, she boldly attacked. She had grass in pastures and meadows as are Frequent spraying of the thistle with a number of almost insignificant little the above chemicals may be used in her scant crew and fourteen fourweeds whose very existence is often stead of cutting in rocky or other in-

(7) Miscellaneous. - Sheep with overlapping strips of ter paper or with earth and leaving the paper on fertility, and it usually pays to reclaim for 8 to 10 weeks during the summer. A coating of straw or manure 1 foot or

ada thistles is contained in Farmers'

VERMIN IN HOUSES SHOULD BE-KILLED

DROCYNIC-ACID GAS-IS DEAD-LY IF MISHANDLED.

(By U. S. Dep't of Agriculture.) Those contemplating moving into a new house, and especially those about ers will be sent up to take their place, to reoccupy country homes or rent and this process may be repeated from summer cottages which may harbor two to eight times before the root be- vermin, would do well before they accomes exhausted. In most localities tually occupy these houses to considthe Canada thistle does not produce er fumigating with hydrocyanic acid many good seeds, as the male and gas to eradicate bedbugs and other nale flowers are on separate plants, pests. This gas, as well as the sodium and not all of the female flowers pro- cyanid from which it is made, howduce viable seeds. Nevertheless, the ever, is one of the most poisonous subseeds are frequently hidden away in stances known, and the inhalation of straw and hay, and are sometimes a few breaths of the gas will result in present in grass and clover seed and death unless the victim be promptly adequate ship, did not achieve so at a song at their present prices. In ped with a feathery plume, a small templating its use should first read patch of thistles may serve to infest a carefully Farmers' Bulletin No. 699, Hydrocyanic-Acid Gas Against House-The point that must be kept in mind, hold Insects, recently issued by the therefore, in fighting Canada thistles department. This bulletin, by L. O. tops, that must be killed. Simply cut- in detail the manner in which the gas ting off the tops a few times has much is manufactured and used and the the same effect as pruning an apple precautions which must be taken to

ly and frequently, the root must even- Hydrocyanic acid gas, however, is one of the most efficacious agents in Bearing this in mind, any of the fol- ridding households of such pests as lowing methods will be found effect- bedbugs, fleas, cock-roaches, ants, nobly to her anchorage, they were clothes moths, etc. Rats and mice, (1) Summer fallow.-Most suitable when exposed to its fumes, run out of for one-half acre or more of thorough- their holes into the open and die there. tipped with living flame. To each ly infested land, from which little There is thus no subsequent annoyrevenue could be expected anyway. ance from dead rodents in walls and

Even when only one room of a house spring to kill seedlings of annual is to be fumigated, the bulletin says, weeds. Let the thistle grow until the the entire house must be vacated and from making over 4 inches of growth. done. If the house is close to anothat any time, all the previous work will those in an adjoining house, care must They're old-fashioned, be undone. This applies to all meth- be taken to protect neighbors. This a cultivated crop, giving it a little a house in a row, particularly if the extra cultivation and hoeing out in- partitions separating houses are not tight or if the attic or roof air space (2) Partial fallow .- (a) For grain communicates with those in the neighfields or old meadows: Cut the crop boring houses. For these reasons, in is what this girl would have been early for hay, if necessary, to prevent the case of summer cottages at cynically told in the past; but the anto grow for four to six days, then plow, fumigate before the family or neighand proceed as in 1 for remainder of bors have moved in, when there is be living in a white Fifth avenue plenty of time to air the house com- house with 17 baths overlooking Ceniletely after it has been treated.

> His Status. "Dat triflin' scamp muh Daughtah mar'd," snorted old Aunt Miasma Waters, "am so scan'lous, low down, no

vociferating against vice, but who

One Fault of Optimists.

Some people are such optimists that

Change Means Advancement. If people never changed their minds

"Home-where each lives for the other and all for God."-Selected.

above all else for the strip, though

some frills of fine voile are edged with The fluffy side frill is in vogue again. A jabot thus adorned will do much to a narrow filet lace and attached to redeem a somber looking dress or an strip of the lace-but wider. out-of-date waist. There should be a number of these fluffy frills lying Picot Finish. about at home, as it was so popular

A very pretty, but not very common a model not long ago. Those who hust make them will need, for one finish for broadcloth collars and other Jabot, half a yard of pretty insertion trimmings is the machine-made picot. and from three-quarters to one yard of It must be well done, when each tiny point stands out conspicuously against edging for the frill, according to the the black velvet and other dark fabrig of doing better.-John Ruskin. English eyelet embroidery is favored which it usually trims

BRITISH NAVY PROUD OF WORK OF LIEUTENANT COCHRANE.

His Exploits With Small Ship, Poorly Armed, Are Classed With the Most Brilliant Annals of Warfare on the Ocean.

A recent writer, Mr. J. J. Edgar, has

ventor, fighter and strategist. The little vessel was absurdly small and Cochrane, foreseeing trouble, had purter; and instead of avoiding his formismall patches. Stake out the patch own uniform, disguised the Speedy, Danish brig, and ran up the quaran-

Some months later, however, they at the time only fifty-four men, and pounders were opposed to the thirtytwo heavy guns and 319 men of her six hundred-ton opponent, the frigate sometimes graze thistles to death if El Gamo. Coming swiftly to close orced to do so. Small patches of quarters, she ran in under the friit unfit for farming purposes and thistles may be smothered by covering gate's broadside, which hurtled harmlessly above her, while every shot The soil upon which Canada thistles building paper, weighing the laps down from her own guns told. A moment dearth of homesteads of this size, and later the vessels touched, and Coch- the land is of the highest quality, berane, at the head of his crew, actually ing such as produces yields of from 30 boarded and carried the frigate, which to 60 bushels of wheat per acre, while The cause of the remarkable vitality more in depth will answer the same struck her flag after the first rush

Between these two exploits the More extended information on Can- Speedy visited Valetta, and Cochrane enjoyed a little adventure ashore. A for it is the long cord-like perennial Bulletin No. 545, which may be had fancy-dress subscription ball was be- prices ranging from \$12 to \$30 per free of charge upon application to the ing given, under the patronage of acre, the difference in price being some French Royalist officers, and largely a matter of location and disthis he attended, selecting for his cos. tance from railway. If one takes into tume the ordinary dress of a British | consideration the scarcity of free common sailor. A Frenchman, mis- grant lands in the United States It is taking him for a genuine jack-tar of | not difficult to understand why there dubious sobriety who was intruding has been most material advances in among his betters, ordered him out. the price of farm lands, He refused to go. The Frenchman collared him; he knocked the French- for two hundred dollars an acre in man down, and the next day they fought a duel on the sands. Coch- enty-five dollars an acre or less. The rane received a ball through the trousers and the Frenchman one through increased value of the product raised the leg, after which they parted gayly

with expressions of mutual esteem. The Speedy's career ended at last dered to one vessel, the French bat- increase, have a proportionate in clined to accept Cochrane's sword. sword an officer who had so many the increase in lowa lands. Values

many near-impossibilities as the little many cases in Western Canada today, Speedy: but her return to Plymouth there are American settlers who realafter her first cruise was marked by a ize this, and are placing a value of uniquely brilliant touch. She had sixty and seventy dollars an acre on taken rich prizes. Among the booty their improved farms, but would sell were some wonderful great golden only because they can purchase uncandlesticks from Mexico. They were improved land at such a low price that of superb size and workmanship, and in another few years they would have designed for ecclesiastical use; but Cochrane found them equally adapted to enhance a naval triumph. When, ed States. at sound of the signal gun, the inhabitants of Plymouth flocked to the dazzled and amazed to see her tall mast was proudly affixed a five-foot golden candlestick!-Youth's Compan-

Charles M. Schwab said at a din-

ner in New York: "It's old-fashioned nowadays to believe that crookedness pays. We have often enough to prevent thistic leaves the outside when the fumigation is no more crooked advertisements. We have no more crooked millionaires. If the thistles get over 6 inches high er, especially if its windows are below We have no more crooked jokes,

"'What sort of a chap is your ods. Follow during second year with is especially necessary in the case of flance?" a girl was asked last week. "'Oh,' she answered, 'he's the most honorable, upright, generous, godly fellow in the world."

> "'Goodness, you'll starve to death!" "'Then one of these fine days you'll

College Gets Precious Memento. Allegheny college, at Meadville, Pa., has received from Doctor Haskins of Boston the die which was used in the 'count dat I don't b'lieve she could raf- original seal of the college nearly 100

the die among the records of his father, who was a professor in the college from 1874 to 1886. This die was probably made in Boston in 1822 or 1823. It was in constant use until the early sixties, when it disappeared, Wisdom of Willie. Mother (angrily)-Why didn't you

come when I called you the first time? Willie-'Cause I didn't hear you till you called the third time. Mother-Now, how could you know it was the third call unless you heard the other two?

Willie-Easy enough, ma I knew

it was the third time 'cause you

sounded so mad. The total product of the farms of the United States has amounted to more than that of all the gold mines

Only Real Foundations. Success-that elusive much-coveted goal toward which we are always working, and sometimes fail to recognize when we reach it-success is the crown and glory of the building of a life. And toward that completion, the

supporting pillars must be service, and

in the world during the last six cen-

Real Thing to Strive For. It is not a question of how much are to do, but of how it is to be done. It is not a question of doing more, but

GALLANT SEA CAPTAIN A LAND PROBLEM AHEAD

(FROM THE PEORIA JOURNAL.)

The Nebraska State Journal calls attention to the fact that Uncle Sam's opening of a 4,000-acre tract in the North Platte irrigation district for settlement practically winds up the "free land distribution" of the nation. It

"Free or cheap land has been the American safety valve. A population straining for self-betterment has had its own remedyto go west and grow up with the country. With the government reduced to advertising an opening of forty-three farms, the safety valve may be considered forever closed. The expansive energy formerly exerted outward, must hereafter work itself out intensively. Increasing land speculation, with rapidly rising prices of land and proportionately increasing dissatisfaction among the landless would seem inevitable. The tone of our politics and the intensity of our social problems cannot but be vitally changed under the strain of dealing internally with a social pressure which hitherto has had the wilderness to vent itself upon.

'Land hunger' will soon become a reality in this rapidly growing country and the constant pressure of population, increasingly higher than the ratio of production, is bound to bring us face to face with economic problems that we have heretofore considered remote. The far-sighted statesman and publicist must devote his thought earnestly to the consideration of these questions if we are to escape the extremes which curse the older nations of the world."

In the above will be found one of the reasons that the Canadian Government is offering 160 acres of land free to the actual settler. There is no oats run from fifty to over hundred bushels per acre. It is not only a matter of free grants, but in Western Canada are also to be had other lands at

A few years ago, land that now sells lowa, could have been bought for sevincreased price is warranted by the on these farms. The lands that today can be had in Western Canada at the low prices quoted will in a less time in capture; but although she surren- than that taken for the lowa lands to tleshin Dessaix, she had been gallant- crease. In Nebraska the lands that ly fighting against several at once, sold for sixteen to twenty dollars per The chivalrous French captain de- acre seven years ago, find a market at saying he could not "deprive of his an acre, for the same reason given for hours struggled against impossibili- in these two States, as well as m othequally as good farms as they left or such as their friends have in the Unit-

The worth of the crops grown in Western Canada is of higher value than those of the States named, so why should the land not be worth fully as much Any Canadian Government Agent will be glad to give you information as to homestead lands or where von can buy .- Advertisement.

The veteran hobo was initiating a new recruit into the mysteries of panhandling.

"It's like dis, Buddy," he explained. When one of us 'bos visits a house we puts a mark on de gatepost ter show wot kind of a reception we gits. Den de next guy wot comes along looks at de mark an acks accordin'." "What do you do when you don't

gfluy wot was dere came out so fast he didn't have time to leave no mark, so

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Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything, but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble, it may be found just the remedy you need. Swamp-Root makes friends quickly because its mild and immediate effect is soon realized in most cases. It is a gentle healing herbal compound—a physician's prescription which has proved its great curative value in thousands of the most distressing cases according to reliable testimony.

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the new arrival. "I should say so!" answered the old resident with conviction. "Only last week we lynched a horse thief, an' I'm blessed if every man in town except the thief himself didn't want to catch hold o th' rope!"

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